

STATE OF NEW YORK
LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY
BUFFALO, N.Y., FEBRUARY 2, 2023, A.D.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County held in the Old County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 2nd Day of February 2023, A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

**Recognizing Chef's Restaurant
on its 100th Anniversary**

WHEREAS, The Erie County Legislature seeks to honor individuals and institutions in Erie County that enhance the quality of life in the community through their efforts; and

WHEREAS, America's progress has been driven by pioneers who think big, take risks and work hard; and

WHEREAS, from the storefront shops that anchor Main Street to the high-tech startups that keep America on the cutting edge, small businesses are the backbone of our economy and the cornerstones of our nation's promise; and

WHEREAS, **Chef's Restaurant** opened its doors on the corner of Seneca and Chicago Streets in the city of Buffalo in 1923 by owners Gino Silverstrini and Lee Federconi; and

WHEREAS, Lou Billittier was hired as a dishwasher at **Chef's Restaurant** in his youth, became half-owner of the restaurant by 1950, and sole owner by 1954 later expanding the restaurant; and

WHEREAS, **Chef's Restaurant** began with a limited menu of traditional dishes of Spaghetti, Ravioli, and Cacciatora, but expanded under Lou's ownership to include his famous Chef's Spaghetti Parmesan; and

WHEREAS, **Chef's Restaurant** became a huge success due to the commitment, passion, and dedication of Lou and his children Lou Jr. and Marybeth who believed in running the business onsite every day to ensure the high quality of food preparation and service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to honor and recognize the Billittier Family and Chef's Restaurant on its 100th Anniversary serving the Western New York Community.

***IN WITNESS WHEREOF,
I HAVE HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND SIGNATURE.***

JOHN J. MILLS

*Minority Leader of the
Erie County Legislature*

FRANK J. TODARO

Erie County Legislator

CHRISTOPHER D. GREENE

Erie County Legislator

JAMES MALCZEWSKI, JR.

Erie County Legislator

